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State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water

September 1, 2015

Chuck Amento, Owner
Sunset Apartments
P.O. Box 1121
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**RE: SUNSET APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEM (WATER SYSTEM NO. 1500442)
CORRECT COMPLIANCE ORDER NUMBER FOR VIOLATION OF ARSENIC AND
HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM MCLS**

Dear Mr. Amento,

The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter State Board), Division of Drinking Water issued Compliance Order No. 03_19_15R_011 on August 25, 2015, to the Sunset Apartments Water System (hereinafter Water System) to document violation of the hexavalent chromium maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.010 mg/L and ongoing violation of the arsenic MCL of 0.010 mg/L. After the Compliance Order was issued, we learned that an error was made in the sequence number of the Compliance Order. The correct Compliance Order No. is 03_19_15R_014. Cover page of the Compliance Order with the correct number is enclosed. Please make a note of the correct number of the Compliance Order and refer to this number in any future communication with the State Board about the arsenic and hexavalent chromium MCL compliance actions.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Tehachapi District Office at (661) 335-7315.

Sincerely,

Jaswinder S. Dhaliwal, P.E.
Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tehachapi District
Southern California Drinking Water Field Operations Branch
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

Enclosure: Modified Cover Page of Compliance Order #03_19_15R_014

CC: Kern County Environmental Health Services Department (w/out enclosure)
Dollie Kostopoulos, Sampler and Designated Operator

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2 CALIFORNIA
3 STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
4 DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

5 TO: Sunset Apartments Water System; System No.1500442

6 ATTN: Chuck Amento, Owner
7 Sunset Apartments
8 P.O. Box 1121
9 North Edwards, CA 93523

10 CERTIFIED MAIL

11 COMPLIANCE ORDER NO. 03_19_15R_014
12 FOR
13 VIOLATION OF HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 116655 (a)(1)
14 AND THE PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARDS FOR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM
15 AND ARSENIC
16 Dated August 25, 2015

17 The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and through its
18 Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director for the Division
19 (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues this compliance order (hereinafter "Order")
20 pursuant to Section 116655 of the California Health and Safety Code (hereinafter "CHSC") to
21 Sunset Apartments for violation of CHSC section 116555(a)(1) and Title 22, California Code of
22 Regulations (hereinafter "CCR"), Section 64431.

23 APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES

24 CHSC, Section 116555(a)(1) states in relevant part:

25 (a) Any person who owns a public water system shall ensure that the system does all of the
26 following:

27 (1) Complies with primary and secondary drinking water standards.



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August 25, 2015

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**RE: COMPLIANCE ORDER FOR VIOLATION OF MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVELS (MCLs) FOR
HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM AND ARSENIC, SUNSET APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEM (SYSTEM
NO.1500442)**

Dear Mr. Amento:

Enclosed is Compliance Order No. 03_19_15R_011 that the State Water Resources Control Board-Division of Drinking Water (Division) is issuing to the Sunset Apartments Water System (hereinafter Water System) for violations of the California Safe Drinking Water Act. The Water System has been serving water to consumers that fails the 0.010 milligrams-per-liter primary maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for hexavalent chromium and arsenic. As discussed in the compliance order, the Water System shall develop and implement a plan to resolve the MCL violations for hexavalent chromium and arsenic to ensure compliance with the drinking water standards.

Please note that on or before September 18, 2015, the Water System is required to submit a written response to the Division indicating its agreement to comply with the directives of the compliance order and with the Corrective Action Plan, addressed in the said compliance order. **On or before November 20, 2015, the Water System is required to present the Corrective Action Plan required under Directive No. 6 of the compliance order, to the Division in person, at the Division's office located at 4925 Commerce Drive, Suite 120, Bakersfield, California 93309. Deadline to achieve compliance with the hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs is August 31, 2018.** Until the Division determines that the Water System is in compliance with the hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs, you must continue to provide quarterly public notification for hexavalent chromium and arsenic and also conduct quarterly hexavalent chromium and arsenic monitoring of Well 01. After providing quarterly public notifications, a copy of the public notices along with a completed Certification of Public Notification forms (Attachment D of the compliance order) should be submitted to the Bakersfield office. **Failure to comply with deadlines and directives specified in the compliance order will result in further enforcement action by the Division.**

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (661) 335-7318 or Carl Carlucci, Supervising Sanitary Engineer at (559) 447-3132.

Sincerely,

Jaswinder S. Dhaliwal, P.E.
Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tehachapi District
Southern California Branch
DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS

Enclosure: Compliance Order No. 03_19_15R_011

CC: Kern County Department of Environment Health (without enclosure)
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CHSC, Section 116655 states in relevant part:

(a) Whenever the department determines that any person has violated or is violating this chapter, or any permit, regulation, or standard issued or adopted pursuant to this chapter, the director may issue an order doing any of the following:

- (1) Directing compliance forthwith.
- (2) Directing compliance in accordance with a time schedule set by the department.
- (3) Directing that appropriate preventive action be taken in the case of a threatened violation.

(b) An order issued pursuant to this section may include, but shall not be limited to, any or all of the following requirements:

- (1) That the existing plant, works, or system be repaired, altered, or added to.
- (2) That purification or treatment works be installed.
- (3) That the source of the water supply be changed.
- (4) That no additional service connection be made to the system.
- (5) That the water supply, the plant, or the system be monitored.
- (6) That a report on the condition and operation of the plant, works, system, or water supply be submitted to the department.

Title 22, CCR, Section 64431 (hereinafter "Section 64431"), states in relevant part:

Public water systems shall comply with the primary MCLs in table 64431-A as specified in this article.

Table 64431-A
Maximum Contaminant Levels
Inorganic Chemicals

<i>Chemical</i>	<i>Maximum Contaminant Level, mg/L</i>
Aluminum	1.
Antimony	0.006
Arsenic	0.010
Asbestos	7 MFL*
Barium	1.
Beryllium	0.004
Cadmium	0.005
Chromium	0.05
Cyanide	0.15
Fluoride	2.0
Hexavalent chromium	0.010
Mercury	0.002
Nickel	0.1
Nitrate (as NO ₃)	45.
Nitrate+Nitrite (sum as nitrogen)	10.

<i>Chemical</i>	<i>Maximum Contaminant Level, mg/L</i>
Nitrite (as nitrogen)	1.
Perchlorate	0.006
Selenium	0.05
Thallium	0.002

* MFL=million fibers per liter; MCL for fibers exceeding 10 um in length.

Title 22, CCR Section 64432 (hereinafter "Section 64432") provides in relevant part:

Section 64432

...

(g) If the level of any inorganic chemical, except for nitrate, nitrite, nitrate plus nitrite, or perchlorate, exceeds the MCL, the water supplier shall do one of the following:

(1) Inform the Department within 48 hours and monitor quarterly beginning in the next quarter after the exceedance occurred; or

(2) Inform the Department within seven days from the receipt of the analysis and, as confirmation, collect one additional sample within 14 days from receipt of the analysis. If the average of the two samples collected exceeds the MCL, this information shall be reported to the Department within 48 hours and the water supplier shall monitor quarterly beginning in the next quarter after the exceedance occurred.

(h) If the concentration of an inorganic chemical exceeds ten times the MCL, within 48 hours of receipt of the result the water supplier shall notify the Department and resample as confirmation. The water supplier shall notify the Department of the result(s) of the confirmation sample(s) within 24 hours of receipt of the confirmation result(s).

(1) If the average concentration of the original and confirmation sample(s) is less than or equal to ten times the MCL, the water supplier shall monitor quarterly beginning in the quarter following the quarter in which the exceedance occurred.

(2) If the average concentration of the original and confirmation sample(s) exceeds ten times the MCL, the water supplier shall, if directed by the Department;

(A) Immediately discontinue use of the contaminated water source; and

(B) Not return the source to service without written approval from the Department.

(i) Compliance with the MCLs shall be determined by a running annual average; if any one sample would cause the annual average to exceed the MCL, the system is immediately in violation. If a system takes more than one sample in a quarter, the average of all the results

for that quarter shall be used when calculating the running annual average. If a system fails to complete four consecutive quarters of monitoring, the running annual average shall be based on an average of the available data.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Division is informed by the Sunset Apartments Water System (hereinafter "Water System") and believes that the Water System is a community water system located in Kern County that supplies water for domestic purposes to approximately 37 individuals through 20 service connections. The Water System utilizes one groundwater well (Well 01; PS Code: 1500442-001) and operates under Domestic Water Supply Permit No. 03-19-13P-011 issued on May 31, 2013, by the California Department of Public Health. The Water System is a community public water system as defined in CHSC, Section 116275.

Title 22, CCR, Division 4, Chapter 15, Article 4, establishes primary drinking water standards and monitoring and reporting requirements for inorganic constituents.

HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM

Community and nontransient noncommunity water systems must comply with the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for hexavalent chromium of 0.010 mg/L, as established in Title 22 CCR Section 64431. The State of California adopted a primary MCL for hexavalent chromium effective July 1, 2014. As part of the MCL implementation, the Water System was requested by the Division to complete initial monitoring for hexavalent chromium monitoring by collecting a sample from Well 01 between July 1, 2014 and January 1, 2015, and have the sample analyzed for hexavalent chromium by using an approved method and with a detection limit of 0.001 mg/L for purposes of reporting (DLR).

By an email dated December 31, 2014, the Water System requested grandfathering of hexavalent chromium results for samples collected between July 1, 2012 and July 1, 2014. A copy of the email is provided as part of **Attachment A**. The 2014 hexavalent chromium result that has been submitted to the Division is summarized in the Table 1 below:

Table 1: Well 01-Hexavalent Chromium Monitoring Result

Sample Date	Well 01 (1500442-001)
January 13, 2014	0.012 mg/L

Moreover, a sample collected on September 22, 2014, from Well 01 showed a hexavalent chromium concentration of 0.012 mg/L. Therefore, in accordance with Section 64432 (g), the Water System was required to begin quarterly hexavalent chromium monitoring of Well 01, unless it chose to submit an additional sample, which it did not do. Section 64431 (i) provides that compliance with the hexavalent chromium MCL is based on a "running annual average" (RAA) of the quarterly monitoring samples, computed each quarter. Further, Section 64432 (i) states: "if any one sample would cause the annual average to exceed the MCL, the system is immediately in violation."

Based on the results reported to the Division, the Water System collected quarterly hexavalent chromium samples from Well 01 on September 22, 2014, March 23, 2015, and June 30, 2015. No hexavalent chromium sample was collected during the 4th quarter of 2014. A summary of the Water System's quarterly hexavalent chromium monitoring is presented in Table 2 below.

All results are as reported to the Division by the laboratory that performed the analysis.

Table 2: Well 01-Hexavalent Chromium Monitoring Results

Sample Quarter	Well 01 (PS Code: 1500442-001)
September 22, 2014 (3 rd Qtr. 2014)	0.012 mg/L
(4 th Qtr. 2014)	No Sample M & R Violation
March 23, 2015 (1 st Qtr. 2015)	0.013 mg/L
June 30, 2015 (2 nd Qtr. 2015)	0.012 mg/L
2 nd Q 2015 Running Annual Average (RAA)	0.012 mg/L

The 2nd quarter of 2015 RAA for Well 01, calculated as the 3rd and 4th quarters of 2014, and the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2015 sample results averaged over a four quarter period, is 0.012 mg/L, which exceeds the hexavalent chromium MCL of 0.010 mg/L. All quarterly hexavalent chromium samples taken from water produced from Well 01 since September 22, 2014 (3rd quarter of 2014), show that the RAA for hexavalent chromium in Well 01 continues to exceed the hexavalent chromium MCL. By a letter dated August 6, 2015, the Division notified the Water System of its determination of the violation of the hexavalent chromium MCL and directed the Water System to continue quarterly monitoring for hexavalent chromium, provide Tier 2 public notification to the customers, and submit proof of notification to the Division. A copy of the letter is provided as **Attachment B**. Based on a review of the response received from the Water System, the Water System provided public notification on August 13, 2015 and submitted proof of notification to the Division on August 24, 2015.

ARSENIC

Community and nontransient noncommunity water systems must comply with the maximum contaminant level for arsenic of 0.010 mg/L, as established in Title 22 CCR Section 64431.

A sample collected from Well 01 on July 18, 2006, showed an arsenic concentration of 0.038 mg/L. Therefore, in accordance with Section 64432 (g), the Water System was required to begin quarterly arsenic monitoring of Well 01, unless it chose to submit an additional sample, which it did not do. Section 64432 (i) provides that compliance with the arsenic MCL is based on a RAA of the quarterly monitoring samples, computed each quarter. Further, Section 64432 (i) states: "if any one sample would cause the annual average to exceed the MCL, the system is immediately in violation."

A summary of the Water System's quarterly arsenic monitoring is presented in Table 3 below. All results are as reported to the Division by the laboratory that performed the analysis.

Table 3: Well 01-Arsenic Monitoring Results

<i>Sample Date</i>	<i>Result (mg/L)</i>	<i>Quarterly Average Value</i>	<i>Running Annual Average Value</i>
July 18, 2006 (3 rd Qtr. 2006)	0.038 mg/L	0.038 mg/L	0.038 mg/L
2007	No Data	--	0.038 mg/L
2008	No Data	--	0.038 mg/L
Jan. 25, 2009 (1 st Qtr. 2009)	0.040 mg/L	0.040 mg/L	0.040 mg/L (1 st Qtr. 2009)
June 8, 2009 (2 nd Qtr. 2009)	0.040 mg/L	0.040 mg/L	0.040 mg/L (2 nd Qtr. 2009)
2010*	No Data*	--	0.040 mg/L
April 11, 2011 (2 nd Qtr. 2011)	0.038 mg/L	0.041 mg/L	0.041 mg/L (2 nd Qtr. 2011)
June 13, 2011 (2 nd Qtr. 2011)	0.044 mg/L		
Sep. 12, 2011 (3 rd Qtr. 2011)	0.047 mg/L	0.047 mg/L	0.044 mg/L (3 rd Qtr. 2011)
Dec. 13, 2011 (4 th Qtr. 2011)	0.042 mg/L	0.042 mg/L	0.043 mg/L (4 th Qtr. 2011)
Mar. 13, 2012 (1 st Qtr. 2012)	0.040 mg/L	0.040 mg/L	0.043 mg/L (1 st Qtr. 2012)
June 19, 2012 (2 nd Qtr. 2012)	0.043 mg/L	0.043 mg/L	0.043 mg/L (2 nd Qtr. 2012)
Sep. 12, 2012 (3 rd Qtr. 2012)	0.042 mg/L	0.042 mg/L	0.042 mg/L (3 rd Qtr. 2012)

<i>Sample Date</i>	<i>Result (mg/L)</i>	<i>Quarterly Average Value</i>	<i>Running Annual Average Value</i>
Dec. 17, 2012 (4 th Qtr. 2012)	0.039 mg/L	0.039 mg/L	0.041 mg/L (4 th Qtr. 2012)
Mar. 13, 2013 (1 st Qtr. 2013)	0.038 mg/L	0.038 mg/L	0.041 mg/L (1 st Qtr. 2013)
June 18, 2013 (2 nd Qtr. 2013)	0.040 mg/L	0.040 mg/L	0.040 mg/L (2 nd Qtr. 2013)
Sep. 16, 2013 (3 rd Qtr. 2013)	0.038 mg/L	0.038 mg/L	0.039 mg/L (3 rd Qtr. 2013)
Dec. 16, 2013 (4 th Qtr. 2013)	0.041 mg/L	0.041 mg/L	0.039 mg/L (4 th Qtr. 2013)
Mar. 24, 2014 (1 st Qtr. 2014)	0.039 mg/L	0.039 mg/L	0.040 mg/L (1 st Qtr. 2014)
June 23, 2014 (2 nd Qtr. 2014)	0.042 mg/L	0.042 mg/L	0.040 mg/L (2 nd Qtr. 2014)
Sep 22, 2014 (3 rd Qtr. 2014)	0.038 mg/L	0.038 mg/L	0.040 mg/L (3 rd Qtr. 2014)
Dec. 19, 2014 (4 th Qtr. 2014)	0.037 mg/L	0.037 mg/L	0.039 mg/L (4 th Qtr. 2014)
Mar. 23, 2015 (1 st Qtr. 2015)	0.035 mg/L	0.035 mg/L	0.038 mg/L (1 st Qtr. 2015)

*: The Water System changed ownership in 2010 and was inactivated via a letter dated June 14, 2010. By a letter dated February 10, 2011, the new owner, Chuck Amento was directed to submit a permit application for change of ownership.

As shown in Table 3 above, the calculated RAA values from the 3rd quarter of 2006 to the 1st quarter of 2015, for the results of arsenic samples collected from Well 01, exceed the arsenic MCL of 0.010 mg/L.

DETERMINATIONS -- HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM AND ARSENIC

Based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the Water System has violated CHSC, Section 116555 and Section 64431 in that the water produced by Well 01, during the 2nd quarter of 2015, exceeded the hexavalent chromium MCL as shown in Table 2 above, and further has determined that said violation has continued from September 22, 2014 (3rd quarter of 2014) and through the date of this Compliance Order.

Likewise, based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the Water System has violated CHSC, Section 116555 and Section 64431 in that the water produced by Well 01 has exceeded the arsenic MCL as shown in Table 3 above, and further has determined that said violation has continued from July 18, 2006 (3rd quarter of 2006) and through the date of this Compliance Order with the exception of 2010 when the Water System was inactive for a brief period of time.

DIRECTIVES

The Sunset Apartments Water System is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. On or before August 31, 2018, comply with Title 22, CCR, Section 64431 and remain in compliance.
2. On or before September 18, 2015, submit a written response to the Division indicating its agreement to comply with the directives of this Order and with the Corrective Action Plan addressed herein.
3. Commencing on the date of service of this Order, provide quarterly public notification in accordance with Attachment C, hereto, of Water System's failure to meet the hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs during any calendar quarter that the four-quarter running annual average exceeds the respective MCLs.
4. Commencing on the date of service of this Order, submit proof of each public

notification conducted in compliance with Directive No. 3, herein above, within 10 days following each such notification, using the form provided as **Attachment D**, hereto.

5. Commencing on the date of service of this Order collect quarterly samples for hexavalent chromium and arsenic from Well 01, as required by Section 64432(g), and ensure that the analytical results are reported to the Division electronically by the analyzing laboratory no later than the 10th day following the month in which the analysis was completed.
6. Prepare for Division approval a Corrective Action Plan identifying improvements to the water system designed to correct the water quality problems (violation of the hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs) and ensure that the Water System delivers water to consumers that meets primary drinking water standards. The plan shall include a time schedule for completion of each of the phases of the project such as design, construction, and startup, and a date as of which the Water System will be in compliance with the respective hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs, which date shall be no later than August 31, 2018.
7. On or before November 20, 2015, present the Corrective Action Plan required under Directive No. 6, above, to the Division in person at the Division's office located at 4925 Commerce Drive, Suite 120, Bakersfield, CA 93309.
8. Timely perform the Division approved Corrective Action Plan and each and every element of said plan according to the time schedule set forth therein.

9. On or before February 26, 2016, and every three months thereafter, submit a report to the Division in the form provided as **Attachment E**, hereto, showing actions taken during the previous calendar three months to comply with the Corrective Action Plan.

10. Not later than ten (10) days following the date of compliance with the hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs, demonstrate to the Division that the water delivered by Water System complies with the respective hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs.

11. Notify the Division in writing no later than five (5) days prior to the deadline for performance of any Directive set forth herein if Water System anticipates it will not timely meet such performance deadline.

All submittals required by this Order shall be addressed to:

Jaswinder S. Dhaliwal, P.E., Senior Sanitary Engineer
State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water, Tehachapi District
4925 Commerce Drive, Suite 120
Bakersfield, CA 93309

As used in this Order, the date of issuance shall be the date of this Order; and the date of service shall be the date of service of this Order, personal or by certified mail, on the Water System.

The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to this Order and/or to issue such further order(s) as it may deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such

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2 modifications may be issued as amendments to this Order and shall be deemed effective
3 upon issuance.
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5 Nothing in this Order relieves Water System of its obligation to meet the requirements of the
6 California SDWA, or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued thereunder.
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9 **PARTIES BOUND**

10 This Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Water System, its owners, shareholders,
11 officers, directors, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.
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13 **SEVERABILITY**

14 The Directives of this Order are severable, and the Water System shall comply with each and
15 every provision hereof, notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.
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17 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

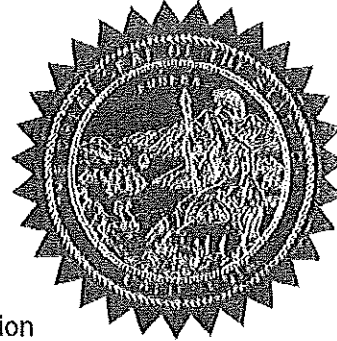
18 The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue a citation with assessment of
19 administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of the
20 requirements of the California SDWA or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order
21 issued or adopted thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation
22 identified in a citation or compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the Board to
23 take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the
24 public water system has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with an
25 order of the Board; and to petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures
26 against a public water system that has failed to comply with an order of the Board. The Board
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does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this Order.


Carl L. Carlucci, P.E., Chief
Central California Section
State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water

8-25-2015
Date

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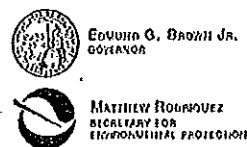
Attachments

- Attachment A: Letter dated March 11, 2015 from the Division
- Attachment B: Letter dated August 6, 2015 from the Division
- Attachment C: Hexavalent Chromium and Arsenic Public Notification Templates
- Attachment D: Certification of Completion of Public Notification Templates
- Attachment E: Quarterly Progress Report Template

cc: Kern County Environmental Health Services Department (w/o attachments)
Dollie Kostopoulos, Sampler and Designated Distribution Operator (via email)

Attachment A

Letter dated March 11, 2015 from the Division



State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water

March 11, 2015
System No. 1500442

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RE: QUARTERLY MONITORING FOR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM FOR SUNSET
APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEM

Dear Mr. Amento:

On July 1, 2014, the State of California, State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter Division) adopted a maximum contaminant level (MCL) for hexavalent chromium of 0.010 mg/L (milligrams per liter) or 10 µg/L (micrograms per liter). Under the new hexavalent chromium MCL regulation, compliance with the 0.010 mg/L MCL is based on the running annual average (RAA) of the monitoring results for four consecutive quarters. If at any time, the average for fewer than four quarters is such that the MCL is certain to be exceeded regardless of additional sampling results, the source is immediately determined to be out of compliance.

By an email dated December 31, 2014, Sunset Apartments Water System (hereinafter Water System) requested grandfathering of hexavalent chromium results for samples collected between July 1, 2012 and July 1, 2014. The results are shown in the table below. A copy of the email is enclosed. Also enclosed is a report from the Division's water quality database showing the hexavalent chromium results that have been reported to the Division.

Sample Date	Well 01 (PS Code 1500442-001)
1/13/2014	12 ug/L
9/22/2014	12 ug/L

The results shown in the above table exceed the hexavalent chromium MCL of 10.0 µg/L; therefore, monitoring for hexavalent chromium for Well 01 shall be conducted quarterly starting with the first quarter of 2015, and lasting for one (1) full year when the Division will re-evaluate the monitoring frequency for hexavalent chromium. If it is determined that Well 01 is out of compliance with the hexavalent chromium MCL, based on the average of four quarters or less, the Water System will be informed of the requirement to conduct public notification and the

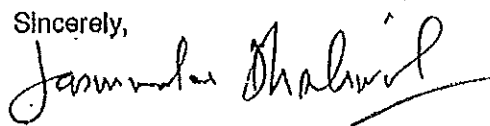
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Division will be issuing a compliance order to document the hexavalent chromium MCL violation.

As a reminder, all chemical water quality monitoring data obtained for Well 01 should continue to be submitted to the Division via electronic data transfer (EDT) using the Primary Station Code assigned the well.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact our office at (661) 335-7315.

Sincerely,



Jaswinder S. Dhallwal, P.E.
Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tehachapi District
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH
DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS

Enclosure: Report from the Division's Water Quality Database
Email dated December 31, 2014

cc: Kern County Environmental Health Department (w/o enclosure)
Dollie Kostopoulos, Sampler and Designated Operator

DATE: 01/26/15
REPORT: R-040/2-3

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DRINKING WATER PROGRAM

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DRINKING WATER ANALYSIS RESULTS REPORT
ALL SAMPLES FOR SELECTED CONSTITUENTS - ALL RESULTS
FOR SAMPLE DATE RANGE OF 20140101 TO 20141231
REPORT OF COUNTY: 15 KERN

SYSTEM NO: 1500442 NAME: SUNSET APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEM COUNTY: KERN
SOURCE NO: 001 NAME: WELL 01 PSCODE: 1500442-001 CLASS: CTGD STATUS: AU

GROUP IDENTIFICATION
CONSTITUENT IDENTIFICATION
SAMPLE DATE RESULT * MCL DLR TRIGGER UNIT

IO INORGANIC					
01032 CHROMIUM, HEXAVALENT	01/13/2014	12.0000 *			UG/L
01032 CHROMIUM, HEXAVALENT	09/22/2014	12.0000 *	10.0000	1.0000	10.0000 UG/L

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NOTE2: -000 = RESULT WAS REPORTED AS NON-DETECTED EXCEPT FOR RAD

Carlton, Dawn@Waterboards

From: Dollie Kostopoulos <newd@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, December 31, 2014 11:52 AM
To: Carlton, Dawn@Waterboards
Cc: chuck.amento@mac.com
Subject: Chrom VI

Importance: High

Hi Dawn,

I am requesting that the Chrome VI test results from 9/22/2014 be grandfathered from Well 01 at Sunset Apartments, (1500442). I understand that we will need to conduct quarterly samples in 2015. Please let me know if you need additional information.

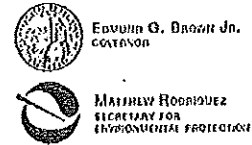
Best Regards,

Dollie Kostopoulos

Sunset Apartments
Sampler
760-403-0012

Attachment B

Letter dated August 6, 2015 from the Division



State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water

August 6, 2015
System No. 1500442

Chuck Amento, Owner
Sunset Apartments Water System
P. O. Box 1121
North Edwards, CA 93523

RE: PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FOR VIOLATION OF THE MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL (MCL) FOR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM FOR SUNSET APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEM

Dear Mr. Amento:

By a letter dated March 11, 2015, the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter Division) directed the Sunset Apartments Water System (hereinafter Water System) to conduct quarterly monitoring for hexavalent chromium of Well 01 (PS Code 1500442-001) based on results of samples collected in 2014 being above the hexavalent chromium maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 10 ug/L. The hexavalent chromium results that have been submitted to the Division are summarized in the table below, with the calculated Running Annual Average (RAA). Enclosed (Enclosure 1) with this letter is a report from the Division's water quality database showing the hexavalent chromium results.

Sample Date	Well 01 (PS Code 1500442-001)
09/22/14 (3 rd Qtr. 2014)	0.012 mg/L
4 th Qtr. 2014	No Sample – M&R violation
03/23/15 (1 st Qtr. 2015)	0.013 mg/L
06/30/15 (2 nd Qtr. 2015)	0.012 mg/L
RAA Value (3 rd Qtr. 2014 to 2 nd Qtr. 2015)	0.012 mg/L

The above table also shows the hexavalent chromium RAA value for Well 01. The RAA value has been calculated based on quarterly samples collected during the 3rd quarter of 2014, and the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2015. The Division has determined that Well 01 is in violation of the hexavalent chromium MCL. Therefore, you will need to issue Tier 2 public notification to the customers served by the Sunset Apartments Water System. Enclosed (Enclosure 2) is a copy of the public notice for issuing to the customers of the Water System. The public notice should be issued before August 31, 2015. Also enclosed (Enclosure 3) is a blank *Certification of Completion of Public Notification* form. Within 10 days of issuing the hexavalent chromium public

notice, please forward copies of the public notice and completed *Certification of Completion of Public Notification* form to the Division.

The Division will be soon issuing a compliance order to document the hexavalent chromium MCL violation. In the compliance order, the Water System will be required to provide a plan and time schedule to comply with the hexavalent chromium MCL.

As a reminder, all chemical water quality monitoring data obtained for each well should continue to be submitted to the Division via electronic data transfer (EDT) using the Primary Station Code assigned to each well.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Dawn Carlton in our office at (661) 335-7324.

Sincerely,



Jaswinder S. Dhallwal, P.E.
Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tehachapi District
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BRANCH
DRINKING WATER FIELD OPERATIONS

Enclosures:

- Enclosure 1: Report from Division's Water Quality Database and copy of 6/30/15 laboratory report
- Enclosure 2: Tier 2 Public Notice for Hexavalent Chromium MCL Violation
- Enclosure 3: Certification of Completion of Public Notification Form

cc: Kern County Environmental Health Department (w/o enclosures)
Dolile Kostopolous, Designated Operator & Sampler

JSD/dc

Enclosure 1

**Report from Division's Water Quality Database
Copy of 6/30/15 Laboratory Report**

DATE: 08/06/15
REPORT: R-040/2-3

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DRINKING WATER PROGRAM

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DRINKING WATER ANALYSES RESULTS REPORT
ALL SAMPLES FOR SELECTED CONSTITUENTS - ALL RESULTS
FOR SAMPLE DATE RANGE OF 20140101 THRU 20150806
REPORT OF COUNTY: 15 KERN

SYSTEM NO: 1500442 NAME: SUNSET APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEM COUNTY: KERN CLASS: CTGD STATUS: AU
SOURCE NO: 001 NAME: WELL 01 PSCODE: 1500442-001

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BSK Associates

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Date of Report: 15/07/19/2359Sample ID No.: A6G0627-01Laboratory Name: BSK Analytical LaboratoriesSignature Lab Director: RSDName of Sampler: Dolite Kestonoulos

Date/Time Sample

Date/Time Sample

Date Analyses

Collected: 15/08/30/1400Received @ Lab: 15/07/08/1000Completed: 15/07/10System Name: SUNSET APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEMSystem Number: 1500442Name or Number of Sample Source: WELL 01User ID: CYAStation Number: 1500442-001Date/Time of Sample: 15/08/30/1400Laboratory Code: 5810Submitted by: BSK Associates FresnoDate Analyses Completed: 15/07/10Phone #: 559-497-2888

MCL	REPORTING UNITS	CHEMICAL	ENTRY #	ANALYSES RESULTS	DLR
10	ug/L	Chromium, hexavalent (CrVI) (ug/L)	01032	12	1.0

Enclosure 2

Tier 2 Public Notice for Hexavalent Chromium MCL Violation

Instructions for Tier 2 Chromium MCL Notice Template

Template Attached

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<i>If You Are a...</i>	<i>You Must Notify Consumers by...</i>	<i>...and By One or More of the Following Methods to Reach Persons Not Likely to be Reached by the Previous Method...</i>
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The notice attached is appropriate for the methods described above. However, you may wish to modify it before using it for posting. If you do, you must still include all the required elements and leave the health effects and notification language in italics unchanged. This language is mandatory [64465].

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Make sure it is clear who is served by your water system -- you may need to list the areas you serve.

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- "We have since taken samples at this location and had them tested. They show that we meet the standards."

After Issuing the Notice

Send a copy of each type of notice and a certification that you have met all the public notice requirements to the DDW within ten days after you issue the notice [64469(d)]. You should also issue a follow-up notice in addition to meeting any repeat notice requirements the DDW sets.

It is recommended that you notify health professionals in the area of the violation. People may call their doctors with questions about how the violation may affect their health, and the doctors should have the information they need to respond appropriately.

It is a good idea to issue a "problem corrected" notice when the violation is resolved.

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What should I do?

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What happened? What is being done?

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For more information, please contact the Sunset Apartments Water System at (760) 559-4327 or 12686 Claymine Road, North Edwards, CA 93523.

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- **BUSINESS PROPERTY OWNERS, MANAGERS, OR OPERATORS:** Must notify employees of businesses located on the property.

This notice is being sent to you by Sunset Apartments .

State Water System ID#: 1500442 Date distributed: _____



Enclosure 3

Certification of Completion of Public Notification Form

Certification of Completion of Public Notification
(Include a Copy of the Public Notice When Submitting this Form)

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Public Water System No.: 1500442

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A copy of the notice is attached.
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Enforcement Action No. pending

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Enforcement Action No. 03-19-15R-011

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Signature _____

Date _____

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Due to the Division of Drinking Water within 10 days of issuance of notice to customers

Enforcement Action No. 03-19-15R-011

Certification of Completion of Public Notification
(Include a Copy of the Public Notice When Submitting this Form)

This form, when completed and returned to the Division of Drinking Water – Tehachapi District (4925 Commerce Drive, Suite 120, Bakersfield, CA 93309 or fax to 661-335-7316), serves as certification that public notification to water users was completed as required by Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Sections 64463-64465.

Public Water System Name: Sunset Apartments Water System

Public Water System No.: 1500442

Public notification for failure to comply with the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic for
the QUARTER OF _____ was performed by the

following method(s) (check and complete those that apply):

- ☐ The notice was mailed to users on: _____
A copy of the notice is attached.
- ☐ The notice was hand delivered to water customers on: _____
A copy of the notice is attached.
- ☐ The notice was published in the local newspaper on: _____
A copy of the newspaper notice is attached.
- ☐ The notice was posted at conspicuous places on: _____
A copy of the notice is attached.
A list of locations the notice was posted is attached.
- ☐ The notice was delivered to community organizations on: _____
A copy of the notice is attached.
A list of community organizations the notice was delivered to is attached.

I hereby certify that the above information is factual.

Printed Name _____

Title

Signature

Date _____

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Attachment E

Quarterly Progress Report Template

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Quarterly Progress Report

Water System: Sunset Apartments Water System	Water System No.: 1500442
Compliance Order No.: 03_19_15R_011	Violation: Hexavalent chromium and arsenic MCLs
Calendar Quarter:	Date Prepared:

This form should be prepared and signed by Water System personnel with appropriate authority to implement the directives of the Compliance Order and the Corrective Action Plan. Please attach additional sheets as necessary. The quarterly progress report must be submitted by the 10th day of each subsequent quarter, to the Division of Drinking Water, Tehachapi District Office.

Summary of Compliance Plan:

Tasks completed in the reporting quarter:

Tasks remaining to complete:

Anticipate compliance date:

Name

Signature

Title

Date



EDUARDO G. BROWN JR.
GOVERNOR



MATTHEW RODRIGUEZ
SECRETARY FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water

September 1, 2015

Chuck Amento, Owner
Sunset Apartments
P.O. Box 1121
North Edwards, CA 93523

**RE: SUNSET APARTMENTS WATER SYSTEM (WATER SYSTEM NO. 1500442)
CORRECT COMPLIANCE ORDER NUMBER FOR VIOLATION OF ARSENIC AND
HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM MCLS**

Dear Mr. Amento,

The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter State Board), Division of Drinking Water issued Compliance Order No. 03_19_15R_011 on August 25, 2015, to the Sunset Apartments Water System (hereinafter Water System) to document violation of the hexavalent chromium maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 0.010 mg/L and ongoing violation of the arsenic MCL of 0.010 mg/L. After the Compliance Order was issued, we learned that an error was made in the sequence number of the Compliance Order. The correct Compliance Order No. is 03_19_15R_014. Cover page of the Compliance Order with the correct number is enclosed. Please make a note of the correct number of the Compliance Order and refer to this number in any future communication with the State Board about the arsenic and hexavalent chromium MCL compliance actions.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Tehachapi District Office at (661) 335-7315.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jaswinder S. Dhaliwal".

Jaswinder S. Dhaliwal, P.E.
Senior Sanitary Engineer, Tehachapi District
Southern California Drinking Water Field Operations Branch
DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

Enclosure: Modified Cover Page of Compliance Order #03_19_15R_014

CC: Kern County Environmental Health Services Department (w/out enclosure)
Dollie Kostopoulos, Sampler and Designated Operator

FELICIA MARCUS, CHAIR | THOMAS HOWARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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2 CALIFORNIA
3 STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
4 DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER

5 TO: Sunset Apartments Water System; System No.1500442
6 ATTN: Chuck Amento, Owner
7 Sunset Apartments
8 P.O. Box 1121
9 North Edwards, CA 93523

10 CERTIFIED MAIL

11 COMPLIANCE ORDER NO. 03_19_15R_014
12 FOR
13 VIOLATION OF HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 116655 (a)(1)
14 AND THE PRIMARY DRINKING WATER STANDARDS FOR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM
15 AND ARSENIC
16 Dated August 25, 2015

17 The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and through its
18 Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director for the Division
19 (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues this compliance order (hereinafter "Order")
20 pursuant to Section 116655 of the California Health and Safety Code (hereinafter "CHSC") to
21 Sunset Apartments for violation of CHSC section 116555(a)(1) and Title 22, California Code of
22 Regulations (hereinafter "CCR"), Section 64431.

23 APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES

24 CHSC, Section 116555(a)(1) states in relevant part:

25 (a) Any person who owns a public water system shall ensure that the system does all of the
26 following:

27 (1) Complies with primary and secondary drinking water standards.